



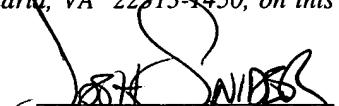
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Applicant(s): Motoichi Watanuki)
Serial No.: 09/545,429)
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For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING)
FACTURING MAGNETIC HEAD)
Art Unit: 3729)
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Total Claims	<u>5</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$18.00	\$ <u>-0-</u>
Independent Claims	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$84.00	\$ <u>-0-</u>
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims				\$280.00	\$ <u>-0-</u>
Total Additional Fee					\$ <u>-0-</u>
Small Entity Fee (reduced by half)					\$ <u>-0-</u>

Amendment C.

A check in the amount of \$ _____ is attached.

Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate), with check in the amount of \$ _____.

If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

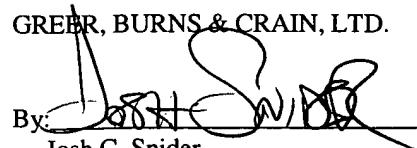
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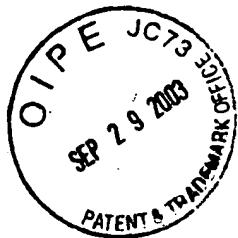
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Dear Mr. Watanuki:

Thank you for your facsimile letter dated August 28, 2003. Enclosed is a copy of Amendment C, which we filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on September 24, 2003.

Our debit note is enclosed in duplicate.

Sincerely,

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In response to the Office Action mailed July 7, 2003, please amend the above-identified Application as follows: